

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 18 September 53 18/2300Z	2. LOCATION Atherton, California
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION BALLOON (UNR)
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One	Further investigation revealed three Holy Dick balloons in the area. The object was probably one of the three balloons.
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 4 hours, 20 minutes	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS A balloon or blimp traveled in W direction at an estimated altitude of 30,000 ft. Sighted 60 deg above horizon. Observed intermittently until 1920 EDT.
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-Visual	
7. COURSE West	
8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No 18 Sep	
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☒ No	
	Atherton, Cal. balloon or blimp a-2

FORM
FTD SEP 63 0-329 (TDE) Previous editions of this form may be used.

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AT 1500PDT A BOLLOON OR BLIMP VERY HIGH ALTITUDE ESTIMATED

30,000 FT OR HIGHER IN WESTERLY DIRECTION APPROX 60 DEGREES

ANGLE FROM HORIZON AND IT SEEMED TO BE STATIC. OBSCURED

INTERMITTENTLY UNTIL 1920PDT. ORIGINAL REPORT FROM LEONARD

BRODBURY, 13 CANYON LAS ARBOLES ATHERTON, CALIF

190434Z SEPT JWPMC

ROUTING

JOINT MESSAGEFORM

COMMUNICATIONS CENTER NO.

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SPACE ABOVE FOR COMMUNICATIONS CENTER ONLY

FROM: (Originator)

COMDR ATIC

TO: COMDR HAMILTON AF BASE HAMILTON CALIFORNIA

Jwpmc

INFO:

DATE-TIME GROUP

231315Z SEP 53

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION

UNCLASSIFIED

PRECEDENCE
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MULTIPLE ADDRESS

CRYPTOPRECAUTION

☐ YES☒ NO

REFERS TO MESSAGE:

IDENTIFICATION

Dtd 190434Z Sep

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UNCLASSIFIED

FROM: AFOIN-ATIAE-9-6-B FOR HAMILTON FLT SV CEN (MATS)

Reurnag dtd 190434 Sep 53 reporting the observation of an object similar to a balloon or a blimp traveling in a westerly direction at an estimated altitude of 30,000 ft. Request you gather supporting data which may lead to the identification of the object as prescribed in Air Force Regulation 200-2 dtd 26 Aug 53.

In reply cite Project Blue Book.

COORDINATION:

ATIAE-5 M. G. Futch DATE 23 Sep 53

A/IC FUTCH

ATIAE W. A. Johnston DATE 23 Sep 53

LT COL JOHNSTON

ATIA William J. O'Hern DATE 23 Sep 53

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DRAFTER'S NAME (and signature, when required)

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RELEASING OFFICER'S SIGNATURE

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Adjutant

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Active

C. J. ATTRA
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At Heron, Calif

RD080

1953 SEP 23

11:20

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R 251900Z

F COMDR 566 ADG HAMILTON AFB CALIF

TO CMDR ATTC WRIGHT PATERSON AFB OHIO

HAMFR2227. HFSC 25--2. SUBJ: PROJECT BLUE ROCK. REF UR MSG DTD

231315Z SEP, REPTG OF OBJECT SIMILAR TO BALLOON OR A BLIMP. INVES

REVEALED THREE PROJECT MOBY DICK WEA BALLOONS IN APRX AREA AT TIME OF

SIGHTING. OJECT BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN ONE OF THESE. NO FURTHER INFO AVAL

25/2239Z SEP JWPMC

19 SEPT 1953
ATLANTIC

Hydrographic Bulletin

AURORA BOREALIS

NORTH ATLANTIC

Mr. K. H. Wehlitz aboard the Panamanian SS. *Italia*, Capt. P. Thormoehlen, Master, reports that between 0700 G. M. T. and 0730 G. M. T., September 19, 1953, in approximate position 45°08' N., 61°12' W., northern lights were observed from 330° to 360° and to an altitude of 40°. The intensity of the display varied slightly as shimmering and straight waves of blue light moved from the horizon upward. The radio operator reported no reception on short wave during this period. Weather clear, wind north-northwest force 3, barometer 30.21 inches, air temperature 60° F.
